

Appl. No. 09/677,679  
Amendment dated: October 16, 2003  
Response to Office Action of May 22, 2003



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Appl. No.	: 09/677,679
Applicant	: Stephen D. Fantone, et al.
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Title	: AUTOMATED OPTICAL MEASUREMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

A non-final Office Action was mailed in this application on May 22, 2003 setting a shortened statutory three-month period for reply to expire on August 22, 2003. Accompanying this response is a petition and fee for a two-month extension of time thereby making a response due by October 22, 2003. In response to the Office Action of May 22, 2003, please amend and reconsider the above-identified as follows:

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| <b>Amendments To The Specification</b> | - begin on page 2 to this paper; none  |
| <b>Amendments To The Claims</b>        | - are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. |
| <b>Amendments To The Drawings</b>      | - begin on page 11 of this paper; none   |
| <b>Remarks/Arguments</b>               | - begin on page 12 of this paper   |

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